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An almost flyless town is another Topeka accomplishment worth while.

Thirteen is assuredly an unlucky number for Great Britain when German submarines sink that many of her ships in a day.

At any rate, no one can accuse Theodore Roosevelt of not being a patriot. He is with President Wilson in the controversy with Germany, tooth and nail.

No rose without its thorn. According to the Shawnee county probate judge, June is a month in which not only the brides predominate. There is also a plethora of lunatics.

And the big game in Europe may also be characterized as a shell game, as is indicated by the admission of France that shells and more shells are what her soldiers need most these days.

Stafford, Kan., has the right idea. The prospective harvest hands in her midst, and many of whom are undoubtedly mere hoboes with no intention of working in the harvest fields, who refuse to labor on the streets for their meals, are politely but firmly invited to leave town.

Senor Roque Gonzales Garza has become another of the ex-presidents of Mexico. And the problem of handling such officials would assuredly assume large proportions for the people below the Rio Grande did not all of them leave the land post haste as soon as the can is tied to them.

Evidently Old Jude Pluvius is trying his hardest to turn loose enough rain in these parts this season to send the Kaw on a rampage, but the usually unreliable old river is bending its back to its tasks in handsome fashion. There is no telling what will happen, but let us hope that the worst is over, not yet to come.

Nor is it likely that many of the Panama-Pacific Exposition souvenir gold dollars that are to honor labor by having a head symbolic of it stamped on one side, will find their way into the pockets of laboring people. And what many of the latter need just now are not souvenir dollars in their honor, but good old silver dollars in their pockets.

Washburn's alumni are, incidentally, about the best friends that Topeka possesses. Their pledge to raise \$100,000 of the addition to the endowment fund that Washburn so sorely needs is proof of this. This pledge practically assures the completion of the fund. And a larger and better Washburn means much more to Topeka than many Topekans seem to realize.

Approximately 175 of the important citizens and towns of Kansas are to have a safe and sane Fourth of July. But this doesn't speak very well for the wisdom of the many more that will not. However, good things come slow, and the average Kansas community is so progressive in all things that the time is probably not far in the distance when all of them will be as safe and sane on the Fourth of July as they are on every other day in the year.

"CLEAN UP, PAINT UP!"

Statistics compiled by J. M. Hill and just made public by the United States geological survey show a greater production of mineral paints during 1914 than in 1913. This increase is particularly marked in the white pigments made from both lead and zinc, and is of interest as showing the results of the "Clean up, Paint up" campaigns which have been in progress. In 1914 there were 66,546 short tons of domestic ocher, umber, sienna, mineral paint, mortar color, and ground slate and shale sold, which was less by 4,029 tons than the sales of similar pigments in 1913. The output of white pigments—zinc, oxide, leaded zinc, and the basic sulphate of lead produced by sublimation showed an increase of 10 per cent in value over 1913. During 1914 there were sold 106,791 short tons of these pigments, for \$9,978,710. The lead pigments made chemically, including basic carbonate white lead, litharge

red lead, and orange mineral, and the chemically prepared zinc barytes pigment lithopone likewise showed a decided increase; 245,206 short tons of these pigments were sold in 1914, for \$27,621,829.

Also a majority of the people of the country may well be pardoned for putting themselves on the back because of the good judgment they displayed on the three different times that they denied the presidency of the nation to Mr. Bryan.

AN EXPENSIVE JOKE, TOO.

As W. H. Seed, a Missouri delegate to the convention of the Ozark Trail association, observes, the dirt roads of the United States are pretty much of a joke in the good roads arena. The millions of dollars that have already been expended on them would have covered the country with at least truck lines of serviceable roads for all kinds of weather had the start been made in the right direction. But it is never too late to rectify a mistake of this sort, and the sooner there is a general start in this direction the better, and the quicker the time will come when the people will have something to show for their money that goes into road improvement.

Supposing Mr. Bryan had to pay for all the newspaper advertising he is getting these days. Well, he couldn't do it, that's all. Not even the pocket-book of John D. Rockefeller could stand the strain. How envious the Swiss Bell-Ringers and other chaletauqua performers must be.

OUR FLAG.

Of course, Flag Day comes on the same date each year. But it seems peculiarly appropriate that it should fall this year at a time when questions and problems are pressing that are wholly national in their scope and on which there should be little or no disagreement among the people; and which, happily, appears to be the case. And so, there is likely to be a little more serious thinking than usual—a most excellent occupation—in the given context of the Stars and Stripes. It is more than mere emblem of a wonderful country. It is a symbol of glorious ideals. It has been stained with blood, it is true, but most of the blood that has defiled it has been our own. And it is, no doubt, the fervent hope of the great, great bulk of those who worship at its shrine, that our flag will never again be used to lead us into battle, either amongst ourselves, or with any of our fellow men of the world, no matter what their race or creed. Still—but why borrow trouble. If we are forced to fight for the rights that the laws of nations and the dictates of civilization accord us, or for the honor of an outrageously injured humanity, we shall be sorry. But we will bear our burden manfully and give the best account of ourselves that is possible. Nor is there a flag flying anywhere on earth with a larger significance than ours, with its red stripes typifying courage, its white standing for purity, truth and honor, its blue for loyalty and its stars for faith. And its appeal should be especially strong not only to all the citizens of the nation, whether they be hyphenated or not, but also to the comparative strangers within our gates, the hordes of worthy immigrants who are of a mind, sooner or later, to establish their allegiance to it, and thereby join us in soul as well as body. The major messages our flag flings to the breeze is one to the effect that it stands for much more than the system of government, the present nation that has been built under it. The flag tells all of our people, and those who would unite with us, that it is their large privilege to change the structure of our government in whatever way they may see fit to do so. That is the paramount challenge of our flag. That is its true meaning. Could there be a better reason why we should respect it, or why we should demand that the world respect it, and that no chance must be taken that it shall be torn from its mast and the possibilities of the government over which it waves destroyed.

Do the duties of Consul Carothers in Mexico include his refereeing the fights between the military factions there? At any rate, he declares the recent one between the forces of Villa and those of General Obregon a draw.

HE MAY NEED THE MONEY.
Maybe the approach of the chautauqua season has something to do with Mr. Bryan's retirement from the cabinet. The work of the state department would have been so heavy this summer that the distinguished lecturer would have had little time in which to practice his profitable profession on the side. And his \$12,000 a year salary as secretary of state is woefully small for even the plainest and simplest-living of citizens to maintain a palatial official residence in Washington, a legal domicile of extensive proportions in Nebraska, a magnificent winter home in Florida and a cozy between-seasons house in North Carolina.

Dr. Dernberg has finally retired to Germany in good order. Not only was the operation he performed on Uncle Sam unsuccessful but the patient also survived the shock. In fact, the doctor didn't have so much as a scar.

REFORM OF INFERIOR COURTS.

The need of an inferior court for the preservation of the peace, and of settlement of controversies too small to justify the intervention of the courts of general jurisdiction, has been felt and but inadequately met from the earliest times, states Milton Stranburger in the June Case and Comment. If we trace the history of the several petty courts of England—the courts baron, the hundred courts, and the county courts—we find that they fell into decay as the result of some of the very causes that have brought our own inferior courts into disfavor. "Of his own free will the small freeholder

passed by his lord's court on his way to the great hall." The office of justice of the peace was brought to this country by the colonists. It was ordained by 18 Edw. III. that "two or three of the best reputation in each county" should be assigned to be keepers of the peace; and by a later statute a property qualification was prescribed. Blackstone says that "it was customary to appoint only a select number of justices, eminent for their skill and discretion." "And here," he continues, "a very ample field is open for a gentleman to exert his talents, by maintaining good order in his neighborhood; by punishing the dissolute and idle; by protecting the peaceable and industrious; and above all, by healing petty differences and preventing prosecutions. But in order to attain these desirable ends, it is necessary that the magistrate understand his business, and have not only the will, but the power also (under which must be included the knowledge, of administering legal and effective justice, lest when he has mistaken his authority, through passion, ignorance or absurdity, he will be the object of contempt from his inferiors, and of censure from those to whom he is accountable for his conduct." While careful to incorporate the office in the constitutions of many of the states, our ancestors were strangely silent on the question of the qualifications of persons to be elected thereto; and it will be conceded by all that our magistrates, as a class, have failed to possess the attributes deemed so essential by the great commentator.

Journal Entries

Nor does the wealthy fellow often have to steal kisses.
Maybe the nine-shot revolver was perfected for cat-killing purposes.

How can all nature be said to smile when there are weeping willows around?

An honored name is especially desirable if it is a bank that honors it.

No, Hortense, it doesn't necessarily follow that a mother of a spirituelle girl is a medium.

Jayhawker Jots

As the Downs Times observes: Nothing improves a man's manners toward the general public, individually, at least, more than running for office.

The Elk City Sun tells of a farmer of its acquaintance who stored some prohibition literature in his barn. The cows found it and ate it and now they are going dry.

An opinion is expressed by the Wichita Beacon that about the only thing that can remain neutral and please both sides is the polecat.

Another lightning freak, as told about by the Lenora News: Frank Day's barn was struck by lightning and three horses killed. The barn was not burned.

You can safely remind a self-made man of his early poverty, and some prohibition literature in his barn. The cows found it and ate it and now they are going dry.

The editor of an Illinois exchange is a public benefactor, declares the Sedgewick Postgraph, and when he dies the people of his country ought to erect a monument to the honor of his memory. He has discovered a way to get rid of mosquitoes. He tells you simply to rub alum on your face and hands. When the mosquito takes a bite it puckers his gazopile so it can't sting. Then it sits down in a damp place, tries to dig the pucker loose, catches its death of cold and dies of pneumonia.

"Observations, by Oley Weaver in his Sedgewick Postgraph. Riches have wings; poverty has spurs. The best safe for a man's money is a prudent wife. . . . Courtship is a bow knot which marriage pulls into a hard knot. . . . There is one thing you get more of by not asking for it—credit. . . . Young man, don't grab your girl's arm—go slow and ask for it. Any fool can grab a girl. The universe: the wise man is he who can run his own house. . . . You have a show in life, but the chances are against you. . . . It is a pity that a balky horse is run, realize that it is easier to pull than to take the whipping that goes with a balk.

WRIT TO OUST 'CHANGE

Missouri Court Acts in Quo Warranto Proceedings Against Traders.

Jefferson City, June 14.—An alternative writ to oust the St. Louis merchants' exchange from the state was issued by the Missouri supreme court today.

The writ was made returnable in the October term of the court, and will not become operative as an ouster unless the court at that term, or later, so directed.

The writ was issued on application of Attorney General Barker, who asked the charter of the exchange be revoked because it charges fifty cents a car for weighing grain at St. Louis.

OBREGON STILL LIVES

Mexican Consul General in New York Gets Denial of Death Report.

New York, June 14.—Francisco Elias Carranza generalissimo in this city, announced late today he had received a cablegram from General Alvaro Obregon, the Carranza commander whose death was reported yesterday, denying the truth of the report. The message was sent today, Mr. Elias said, from Lagos, fifty miles north of Leon.

HONOR OLD GLORY

Patriotic Exercises Are Held in Betsy Ross House.

Louisiana Hoists State Flag at Independence Hall.

Philadelphia, June 14.—The one hundred and thirty-eighth anniversary of the adoption of the American flag by the Continental congress was observed by patriotic exercises in the Betsy Ross house where the first emblem was made. School children figured largely in the observance. Flag day was also observed at Independence Hall. There the Louisiana state flag was raised over the old state house to commemorate the fifteenth year since the close of the Civil war. The flag is the gift of the Louisiana Historical society.

NEUTRAL SHIP IS FIRED

German Submarines Open Week With Activities Unabated.

London, June 14.—Two Danish schooners, the Katrine and the Cocos Merstal, were stopped today by a submarine. The crew of the Cocos Merstal was sent aboard the Katrine and the former vessel was then set on fire. The Katrine has arrived at the Fifth Port, Scotland. The British steamship Arndale, 3,583 tons gross, has been sunk as the result of striking a mine in the White sea.

The Arndale was built in 1906 at Sunderland. She was 340 feet long, 48 feet beam and 23 feet deep. She was owned by the T. Smiles & Sons Steamship Company, Ltd., of Whitby. The Arndale presumably was carrying a cargo to Archangel, the only important Russian port bordering on the Arctic sea.

The British steamship Hopemount, 3,300 tons gross, was torpedoed and sunk today at a point west of Saint Ives, England, by a German submarine. The crew of the Hopemount was saved.

FRANK'S PLEA OPPOSED

Dorsey Presents His Brief When Hearing Is Resumed.

Atlanta, June 14.—The hearing on Leo M. Frank's plea for commutation of his death sentence to life imprisonment was resumed before Governor Slaton here early today, and was expected to be completed by tonight.

When today's session opened, Solicitor Dorsey presented his brief against Frank's plea for clemency, his oral argument in support thereof.

CARS FOR ROCK ISLAND

Receivers Plan Extensive New Equipment for Road.

Chicago, June 14.—New equipment on an extensive scale for the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway has been decided on by the receivers. Judge Carpenter in the federal court will be asked to approve the purchase of 4,000 freight cars, which will cover between \$2,500,000 and \$4,000,000. The receivers will use the same method of financing the purchases.

N. C. R. FINDING STANDS

Supreme Bench Declines to Review Lower Court Reversal.

Washington, June 14.—The supreme court today declined to review the circuit court of appeals of the conviction of the officers of the National Cash Register company of alleged violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The court handed down no decision in the International Harvester trust case today.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

John McCafferty, age 84, died this morning at the home of his son, R. J. McCafferty, in Seaford. The funeral will be held at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning from the Seabrook Congregational church. Interment will be in Mount Hope cemetery. Mrs. Lizzie Wycoff, two sons, R. J. McCafferty and G. L. McCafferty, all of whom live near Topeka. Mr. McCafferty was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., October 18, 1829.

William H. Free, age 62, died this morning at his home, 904 West Eighth avenue. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Thursday morning from the home. Interment in Mount Hope cemetery.

The funeral of Helen Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Harris, 1105 East Eighth avenue, was held at 4 o'clock this afternoon from Penwell's chapel. Interment was in Topeka cemetery.

At the Cozy.

A chance to see Charles Chaplin every day—and in two feature films at that—is the offering the Cozy theater is making its patrons this week. Chaplin is as lively as a cricket, and his comedy is an ever new parts keeps an audience in an uproar all the time. The program for today and tomorrow is an Essanay production, "In the Park."

Lightning Kills Farm Hand.

Coffeeville, Kan., June 14.—Clarence Shott, a farm hand, was here, was killed by lightning during a storm today. He was 25 years old and unmarried. C. E. Fulton, for whom Shott worked, was badly burned, but will recover.

New York Money Market.

New York, June 14.—Money market. New York money market. Sterling exchange, 60 day bills, 4.75; demand, 4.75; cables, 4.75; marks, demand, 82; cables, 82; lire, demand, 10; cables, 10; rubles, demand, 25; cables, 25. Bar silver, 49c; Mexican dollars, 38c; Government bonds, 100 day bills, 2 1/2; 90 days, 2 1/2; six months, 2 1/2. Gold, steady; high, 2; low, 1 1/2; ruling rate, 2; last loan, 2; closing bid 1 1/2; offered at 2.

LOCAL MENTION.

A dark complexioned man today is canvassing Topeka for subscriptions for something in Asia Minor. The man visited the city hall today carrying endorsement from Governor Arthur Capper, Oscar Swayze, county clerk and Harvey Parsons, chief of police. The endorsements stated that the signers had investigated the man's credentials and found them to be O. K. and recommended that he be given support. Jay E. House declined to swallow the already large bundle of endorsements the man was carrying.

Big money saved by the Santa Fe Tour Co. on first class trips to the San Francisco fair. See H. P. Richards, 514 New England Bldg. P. 1524.—Adv.

The street department blames employees of the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific railway for a break in the Kenwood sewer. The sewer pipe is exposed where it crosses Ward creek. City employees claim that railroad laborers broke the pipe with a hammer. Water backed up from the Kansas river during the recent high water and several garden patches were flooded.

New blanks to be used in an index record of analysis of water made by the city bacteriologist have been adopted and hereafter records of all samples examined will be readily available.

It will be two or three days before all of the phones in Topeka that were put out of commission as a result of the recent heavy storm, are in working order. Although a force of more than thirty men is working overtime there were still 1,200 phones dead today. Cable men have been sent here from St. Joe and Kansas City to facilitate the work.

Dr. Attwood, Eye, Ear, Nose, Throat, 623 Kansas Ave. Phone 4553 white.—Adv.

A petition requesting that the city give away a strip of land ten feet wide on the east side of Central park to be used in changing the alley there to a street was today referred by the city commission to the commissioner of parks and the city attorney.

Bonds to the amount of \$81,500 will be paid by the city of Topeka during the month of July. Most of them were issued to pay street and alley, sewer and water obligations.

The Fillmore street bridge over Shunganunga creek was damaged by high water last week to the extent of several hundred dollars. A dirt fill south of the south abutment was washed away as was also part of the north embankment. The bridge itself was not damaged.

The New Sample Shoe Store over Kresge's Ten Cent Store is quitting business. The entire stock goes on sale Tuesday at 10 o'clock, at sacrifice prices.—Adv.

John Belcher, colored, is wearing the plumage of the jail bird because he defended his fair name from the charge of boot-legging and used a monkey wrench on Henry Keeling, also colored. After watching considerable evidence pile up against him at the court of Topeka, where he was arraigned on a charge of assault with intent to kill, Belcher this morning defended his fair name from the charge of boot-legging and used a monkey wrench on Henry Keeling, also colored. After watching considerable evidence pile up against him at the court of Topeka, where he was arraigned on a charge of assault with intent to kill, Belcher this morning defended his fair name from the charge of boot-legging and used a monkey wrench on Henry Keeling, also colored. 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